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SUBJECT: ILO CONFERENCE: PLO ISSUE

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1. LO INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY THORBJORN CARLSSON, WHO
SERVED AS SWEDISH WORKER DELEGATE AT RECENTLY CON-
CLUDED ILO CONFERENCE, TOLD LABATT THAT SWEDISH
GOVERNMENT HAD BEHAVED "SHAMEFULLY" BY VOTING IN FAVOR
OF GRANTING PLO OBSERVER STATUS. CARLSSON SAID HE
WORKED VERY HARD DURING WEEKS PRIOR TO CONFERENCE AT
TRYING TO CHANGE GOS POSITION BUT WAS UNABLE TO SWAY
FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS WHO STUBBORNLY MAINTAINED
THAT SWEDEN HAD TO ACT CONSISTENTLY WITH PREVIOUS
AFFIRMATIVE VOTE FOR PLO AT UN. HE RECALLED WITH
PAINED EXPRESSION CONTRASTING NEGATIVE VOTES OR
ABSTENTIONS (HE WASN'T SURE WHICH) BY NORWEGIAN AND
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DANISH GOVERNMENT DELEGATES.

2. CARLSSON PLANS TO GIVE VENT TO HIS FEELINGS BY
WRITING ARTICLE FOR LO JOURNAL IN WHICH HE WILL

"MERCILESSLY" CRITICIZE GOS FOR THIS ACTION.

3. COMMENT: CARLSSON IS A MAN NOT EASILY FAZED BY
ADVERSE CIRCUMSTANCES BUT HE SEEMED VERY DISCOURAGED
ABOUT OUTLOOK FOR ILO AS RESULT OF PLO FIASCO. OPEN
AND SEVERE CRITICISM BY LO OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC GOVERN-
MENT IS RATE OCCURRENCE AND IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO
SEE WHETHER CARLSSON FOLLOWS THROUGH ON HIS INTENTION
TO WRITE ARTICLE.

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